

MISSOURI STATE REHABILITATION COUNCIL

2025 ANNUAL REPORT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

On behalf of the members of the Missouri State Rehabilitation Council, it is my honor to present this summary of the Council's annual report for 2025. Each Council member has unique experiences in advocating for the rights of our fellow Missourians whose physical or mental disabilities may pose obstacles to productive employment. Through our quarterly meetings and committee deliberations, we have given our support to Missouri Vocational Rehabilitation to empower individuals with disabilities and to encourage decisions that lead to greater self-sufficiency. It is my great privilege to work with members of the Council as well as with Missouri Vocational Rehabilitation staff, all of whom are dedicated to providing our citizens with the opportunity to make choices in obtaining meaningful employment.

Respectfully,

Bob Hosutt, Chairperson

MISSION STATEMENT

MISSOURI STATE REHABILITATION COUNCIL

OUR VISION

The Missouri State Rehabilitation Council envisions a society that values all of its members equally and provides opportunities so that all people are able to meet their needs, fulfill their dreams, and participate in society.

OUR MISSION

To ensure that persons with disabilities have opportunities to be as productive as possible by advising Missouri Vocational Rehabilitation that services provided to persons with disabilities are of the highest quality, consumer directed, responsive to consumer choice, effective, individualized, culturally specific, and relevant to labor market trends.

OUR RESPONSIBILITIES

To work in partnership with Missouri Vocational Rehabilitation to achieve positive outcomes for persons with disabilities by providing input on the state plan, policies, and practices affecting services to persons with disabilities; obtaining and interpreting consumer input; identifying corrective action consistent with that input; advocating for adequate resources to ensure that the rehabilitation needs of all Missourians are met; identifying strategies to address the needs of people who are not being served or who are being underserved; and supporting VR in complying with laws applicable to persons with disabilities.

(Adopted Nov. 4, 1999)

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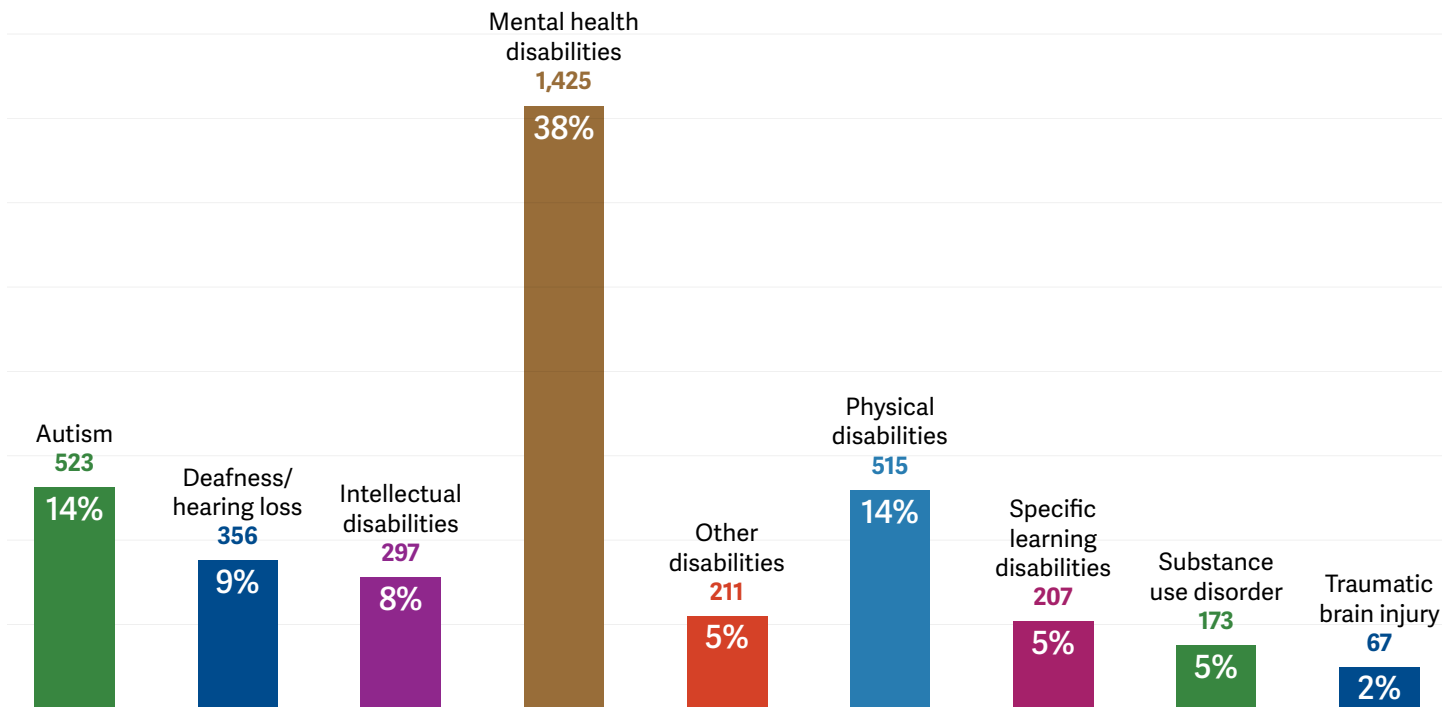
Tim Tadlock, Gallatin

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Ex Officio Member
VR Assistant Commissioner

PROGRAM DATA

DISABILITY CATEGORIES

3,774 Individuals With Successful Employment Outcomes: PY 2024



GENDER

Individuals With Successful Employment Outcomes: PY 2024

GENDER	NUMBER	PERCENT
Male	2,117	56%
Female	1,634	43%
Did not wish to self-identify	21	<1%
Nonbinary or another gender	2	<1%
TOTAL	3,774	100%

ETHNICITY

Individuals With Successful Employment Outcomes: PY 2024

GENDER	NUMBER	PERCENT
White	2,844	75%
African-American	701	19%
Hispanic	143	4%
American Indian	44	1%
Asian	31	<1%
Pacific Islander	11	<1%
TOTAL	3,774	100%

AGE

Individuals With Successful Employment Outcomes: PY 2024

AGE	NUMBER	PERCENT
Less than 25	1,327	35%
25-34	806	21%
35-44	623	17%
45-54	511	14%
55-64	351	9%
65 and over	156	4%
TOTAL	3,774	100%

HIGHLIGHTS



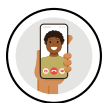
39,063 individuals worked with VR counselors.



3,774 individuals achieved successful employment outcomes.



3,244 individuals achieved a measurable skill gain in an educational or training program.



1,502 youths reached successful employment outcomes.



1,377 successfully employed individuals received supported employment services.



605 successfully employed individuals received Individual Placement and Support services.



97% of successfully employed individuals had significant disabilities.



\$76,340,472 was the total annual increase in earnings for individuals with successful outcomes.



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The Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) program receives 78.7 percent of its funding through a grant from the U.S. Department of Education. For Federal Fiscal Year 2025, the total amount of grant funds awarded was \$77,735,150. The remaining 21.3 percent of the costs (\$21,038,865) was funded by state matching funds. The Supported Employment (SE) program receives 95 percent of its funding through a grant from the U.S. Department of Education. For Federal Fiscal Year 2025, the total amount of grant funds awarded was \$268,148. The remaining 5 percent of the costs (\$14,113) was funded by state matching funds. The Independent Living (IL) program receives a portion of its funding through a grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. For Federal Fiscal Year 2025, the total amount of grant funds awarded was \$348,060 (90 percent). The remaining 10 percent (\$38,673) was funded by state matching funds. The IL program also received additional state funding for an overall total of \$5,553,103.